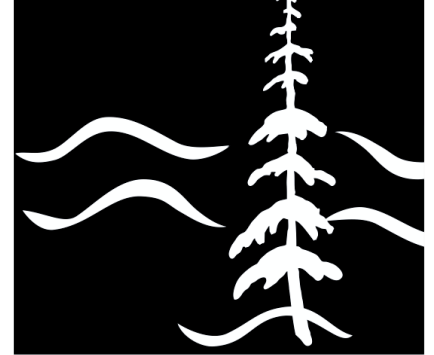


# NEWSLETTER

## Northumberland Hills Public School *2021: Edition #3*

*Welcome to the third week of virtual learning! At the time of writing this, we are assuming that we will be back to classroom learning on Monday, January 25th. That being said, the government is set to make an announcement that will confirm (or not) this projection. They are taking their lead from our local HKPR Public Health Unit and I will let families know details as soon as they are received. Please watch the announcement coming out on Wednesday, January 20th for up to date information.*



**NORTHUMBERLAND HILLS  
PUBLIC SCHOOL**

*Our teachers have been working hard to adjust their programs to be accessible online. We have been able to supply technology to a number of families that needed the support and are doing another deployment of a few iPads today. Mrs. Lansley and I are still in the office throughout this week to help through your questions and concerns and hope that you are accessing the additional online meeting opportunities that teachers are using to support students in large, small and one-on-one settings. If you feel you need additional support that goes above and beyond this, please reach out to your classroom teacher. They will pass along the information to the office and we will look at the additional supports we have available.*

★ **Mr. Koshurba**

## ChromeBook and Device Deployment:

Our school has deployed a number of ChromeBooks, iPads and WiFi units to families over the past two weeks. This has allowed several families to connect to daily Google Meets sessions and other learning materials posted on their teacher's online learning platforms. If you are still in need of technology support, you are asked to reach out to the school directly OR see the information below. The KPR online Google Form has been taken down at this time as centralized deployment has stopped for the time being. There are a limited number of iPads available at the school if this is something that will help support your child.

## Important Learn@Home Information

For Parent/Student Technology Support, families can call or email (email preferred) the following:

Student/Parent Helpline - Elementary  
1-877-741-4577 Ext 3002  
[Elementary\\_Helpline@kprdsb.ca](mailto:Elementary_Helpline@kprdsb.ca)

We are receiving a lot of calls to our Student/Parent Helplines over login/application access issues. We are HIGHLY recommending that students access their applications (EDSBY, D2L, Google Classroom, etc) via [students.kprdsb.ca](https://students.kprdsb.ca) (our Student Portal). Accessing applications via the Student portal will alleviate many of the issues students experience when accessing from home. We have also created a Parent portal – [parents.kprdsb.ca](https://parents.kprdsb.ca) where we are keeping a lot of our critical Learn@Home information as well as useful links.

# Additional Supports for Families

Technology isn't always the issue when it comes to accessing the learning @ home. Families are busy and may need support from a trained educator when your child has questions. Here are some additional options:

- Reach out to your child's classroom teacher and tell them what you need. They will pass this information on to the office support team
- Call the main office directly and speak with Mr. Koshurba. We have a number of support staff that can connect with you to support your child's learning

## Other community Supports

### Food Banks and Food Cupboards:

#### *Northumberland Fare Share Food Bank*

700 D'Arcy Street, Building #19, Cobourg

Wednesdays, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm and 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm; Fridays 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Phone: 905-372-5308

#### *Salvation Army Community Drop-in and Food Cupboard*

66 Swayne St., Cobourg

January - September, closed on statutory holidays

1st & 3rd Thursday of the month, 4:00 to 5:30 pm (bring your own bags)

#### *Salvation Army Emergency Food Assistance*

66 Swayne St., Cobourg

By appointment only, Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Call: (905) 373-9440

Email: [safamser@cogeco.net](mailto:safamser@cogeco.net)

Text: (905) 375-7862

#### *Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Emergency food*

Cobourg, call 905-373-9391

Grafton, call 905-377-3263

Open Tuesdays, 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm & 6:30pm - 8:00 pm, except the last week of the month

For emergency food call 705-696-2780

### Community Outreach:

*Northumberland County Community and Social Services*

People in crisis can call the Centralized Intake Unit (CIU) at: 905-372-6846 or 1-800-354-7051, ext. 2468

## Term 1 Reports

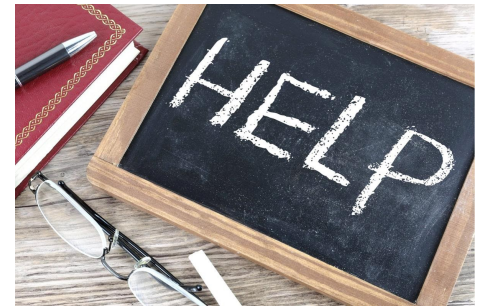
You will be getting your child's term 1 report cards on February 19th. They will go home through EDSBY for the first time. It is very important that you are linked to your child's EDSBY account to see the report card. Again, reach out to the school for support if you have not connected yet.

## School Council Meetings

Our next school council meeting is January 18th, 6:30-8:00.

Join us virtually here:

[https://kprdsb.webex.com/meet/stephen\\_koshurba](https://kprdsb.webex.com/meet/stephen_koshurba)



# KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION!

If your child will be four years old by December 2021, now is the time to register for Kindergarten starting September 2021.

Visit [www.kprschools.ca/kindergarten](http://www.kprschools.ca/kindergarten) to find your school and register your child online. Questions? Please call the school



## Virtual Elementary School

After the closure of schools is over on January 25, families will continue to have the option of sending their children to school in person, or enrolling them in online learning. For elementary families, the next opportunity to request a transfer to KPR's Virtual Elementary School (VES) starts this week.

An Opt Out portal will be open at <http://optout.kprdsb.ca/> from January 13 to 4 p.m. on January 22, for families to complete if they wish to transfer their children to the VES.

Parents and guardians must complete the form on this portal between January 13-22 if they wish their children to move to the Virtual Elementary School on the next available transfer date.

The first day of virtual classes for new VES students will be **Tuesday, February 2** (February 1 is a PA Day). Teachers will begin contacting families of new VES students January 28. Until then, students will continue to attend their home school.

## Contact Us:

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